



Foggy Bottom News

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Residents Impact Whitehurst Reconstruction

By the WHF Steering Committee

Residents have seen the initial effects of the reconstruction of the east end of the Whitehurst Freeway (WHF) on the residential blocks of K Street and adjacent areas. Many were shocked when all the trees in the center median of K Street were chopped down on the Saturday before Independence Day. Then the pedestrian crossing at 25th and K Streets was closed. More trees were scheduled for the ax. Residents found out at the eleventh hour that the pedestrian tunnel under K Street at 26th Street was to be reopened and expanded. This tunnel had been closed in 1992, after years of complaints from residents and strong pressure from the community, because it was a locus for criminal acts, which the Metropolitan Police Department said they could not control; it was virtually permanently in an extremely unsanitary condition.

Steering Group Forms & Meets

The alarm of residents in the areas directly affected by these actions led to the formation on July 14, 1996 of a Steering Committee to reverse the damage. The Committee consists of representatives of the boards of directors of the Bader (Jenny Brake), the Barclay (Douglas Abbey), the Claridge House (Bernice Friedlander, Charles Farbstein), the Griffin (Edward Gable), the Jefferson House (Illona Melstrads), the Potowmac Overlook (Jon Nowick) and the Swarthmore (Shirley Monastra), and Maria Tyler as the ANC Commissioner for the affected area. The Committee has worked hard, with at least 10 meetings since its establishment, quickly persuading DPW to reopen the 25th Street pedestrian crossing and to halt the destruction of trees. Thereafter, it has developed a close and cooperative working relationship with Mr. Gary Burch, Admini-

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2501 Penn. Ave. Property Sold

During the summer, 2501 Pennsylvania Avenue was sold to a new developer. This is the property defined by the "Haller Building" at the northwest corner of 25th St. and Pennsylvania Avenue. The new owner is Castleton Holdings and Bruce Bradley, a local builder and developer who has renovated commercial and residential properties in the Dupont Circle and Adams Morgan areas. The sale price was \$1.3 million. The asking price had been \$2.5 million.

In a telephone conversation, Mr. Bradley indicated that he is excited by the design of the new building originally approved by the Historic Preservation Review Board and the BZA. He plans on keeping the project mixed-use, with both commercial and residential components. He does not intend to exceed the height limitation approved, nor does he intend to build anything larger than that approved. He is, however, exploring options within the approved plan. He anticipates finalizing his plans for the project in October and will be meeting with community representatives as soon as he does.

FBA Officers and Board Elected

At the June FBA meeting, the following persons were elected to the Executive Board:

Ellie Becker was re-elected president, Chris Lamb vice president, Ilona Melstrads secretary, and Hugh Grindstaff treasurer. Polly Berman was elected membership director, and newly elected to the Board were Olga Corey, Kirsten Olsen and Michael Thomas. Lucille Molinelli, Richard Price and Sandra Vonetes were re-elected to the Board.

At the September Meeting — DPW's Gary Burch to Discuss Whitehurst Freeway

At the first Foggy Bottom Association meeting on Monday, September 30, the featured speaker will be Gary Burch of the Department of Public Works.

Burch, who is chief of Design, Engineering and Construction, is overseeing the renovations of the Whitehurst Freeway. He has been asked to outline the plans for the highway, including discussions held with a steering committee of residents who represent buildings in the immediate vicinity. Another highlight of the presentation will be information on the artifacts found by archeologists and archeology students during the excavations.



Jimmy Molinelli Dies in June

Jimmy Molinelli, 94, longtime community activist, died June 28 at his home of cancer. He is survived by his wife, Lucille, also active in the community, his daughter, Jamie, a veterinarian who lives in Baltimore, and a brother who lives in Brooklyn, New York.

Molinelli was president of the West End Citizens Association at the time of his death, and was a past president of the D.C. Federation of Citizens Associations. He also served two terms on the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A.

An accountant by profession, he worked for the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Guest Service Inc., and for the Office of the Comptroller until his retirement in 1983.

He is remembered warmly by his neighbors for his many years of leadership and tireless battles for his neighborhood. Darrell Johnson of the GWU Police Force recalls Jimmy appearing in his office, brandishing a fistful of illegally posted flyers, demanding that Johnson "do something about this." He and Jack Batham, also of the West End Citizens Association, carried on a longterm

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FOGGY BOTTOM ASSOCIATION MEETING

Speaker:

Gary Burch

Administrator

Design, Engineering &

Construction Administration

D.C. Department of Public Works

Monday, September 30, 1996

Wyndham Bristol Hotel

2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

7:30 p.m.

(Next Meeting: Monday, October 28)

LETTERS

Thanks for Contributing Receipts

Thank you so much for your continuing support of The School Without Walls. Our school will be participating in the Safeway/Giant register tapes program this year. The program commences September 15th and runs through January 17 for Safeway receipts and March 1 for Giant receipts. Over the years our school has received an electronic keyboard, computer printers, tape recorders and a portable public address system through this program. The School Without Walls Chapter of the National Honor Society will lead the efforts this year as a school service project and appreciate your help in contributing to their cause.

Volunteer Help Needed

The school library also is in great need of some faithful volunteer help to maintain the library and work on projects. For example, we have received many donations of books, periodicals and other resources that need to be processed so they can be made available to teachers and students. No experience is needed for library work, but attention to detail and typing ability are musts. The library has a pleasant environment and our students exhibit stellar behavior.

We look forward to working together in the best interest of D.C. public school children.

Lynn Kauffman
Librarian
School Without Walls

Fall Schedule for
West End Library

The West End Library's fall hours have been set. It will be open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and on Tuesday from 1:00 to 9:00 p.m. The library will be closed on Fridays and Sundays.

Save Those
Grocery Receipts

Safeway and Giant are again offering to local schools various kinds of equipment in exchange for store receipts. The collection started on September 15, and Safeway will continue until January and Giant until March.

Collection boxes have been distributed to several apartment buildings in the neighborhood, and a box will be available at the Foggy Bottom meeting. Residents who do not have a particular school to save for can bring them to FBA meetings. They will then be turned over to Stevens Elementary School on 21st Street, Francis Junior High at 24th & N Streets, and School Without Walls Senior High School on G Street (see Letters).

Last year about \$75,000 worth of receipts was collected from these apartments, allowing each school \$25,000 worth, enough for at least one substantial "purchase." All the schools will appreciate your holding on to your receipts and making sure a school is able to benefit from them.

New Post Office
at Watergate

The new Post Office at the Watergate, now on the street level near the escalator, opened in late September. The new facility is larger than the previous cramped postal station on the plaza level, and includes 240 P.O. boxes as another new service.

Featured is an open merchandise area where patrons can select from a variety of domestic and philatelic postage packs, international mailing products, and assorted packaging products. Patrons can pay for these items at a separate counter on the opposite side of the store from the regular postal services counter.

The new station is part of Project Fix-Up DC; the U.S. Postal Service has been implementing a \$22 million project to establish 13 new postal stores in D.C., such as the one many of us have seen inside Union Station.

The staff at the new postal store look forward to having you drop in. It is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Steve Timlin

(Note: There is a postal facility in Columbia Plaza Pharmacy also, should you need services in the evening or on weekends. There are weekend mail pickups there as well.)

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St. Paul's Father Martin Moves to Boston

Last spring we ran a photo of and a slightly premature "good-bye" article about Father Richard Martin of St. Paul's Parish. He began a sabbatical from his duties as rector last spring, but now is, unfortunately, really leaving Foggy Bottom for a parish in Boston. A special liturgy and reception are being held September 28 to mark his official departure to a new parish and new duties.

Father Martin served from 1964 to 1966 as chaplain at GWU and a parttime assistant at St. Paul's; from 1966 he was the fulltime senior curate, and then was named rector of St. George's Episcopal Church at



2nd and U Streets, N.W. In September, 1989 he returned to St. Paul's as its rector.

We wish him success and satisfaction, and know he will be missed in Foggy Bottom.

Memoir-Writing Discussion at St. Mary's Court

On Wednesday, October 1, at St. Mary's Court, the Arts Project Renaissance will sponsor a discussion of the writing and publishing of a memoir. The speaker will be Carmen Johnson, an 86-year old local author. She will also sign copies of her book, "Wave-Rings in the Water: My Years with the Women of Postwar Japan." St. Mary's Court is located at 725 24th Street, N.W., and the program is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. The Arts Project Renaissance is a creative/autobiography writing

program, and in cooperation with the Women's National Book Association works to make book and writing programs available to older adults.

Baha'i Dialogues in October

For three consecutive Fridays in October, there will be dialogues entitled "The Baha'i Faith, What Is It?" On October 4 the topic will be "The Central Figures of the Faith"; on October 11 it will be "The Covenant"; and on October 18 "The Institutions of the Faith." The sessions, at which refreshments will be served, will be held at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Court, 725 24th Street, N.W.

United Holds Fall Luncheon and Sale

The United Church has scheduled its Annual Fall Sale and German Luncheon for Wednesday and Thursday, October 23 and 24 in the church hall. A German lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. each day. Among the items offered for sale are clothing, furniture, household goods, new gifts, books and more! Donations of goods or money are also accepted. Admission to the sale is free. The church is located at 1920 G Street, N.W.

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- Gelman Library and Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library (free, limited hours)
- GW Medical Center as well as periodic health screenings and medical lectures (free)
- University Police escorts when leaving GW events (free)
- Improvements to Francis Field (free)
- Legal assistance and counseling through Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinic (free)
- Senior citizen shopping and errand services are available from several GW student organizations (free)
- Senior citizen discounts to GW theatrical and musical events
- Smith Center athletic facilities in the summer for a small fee
- Participation in the Alumni Course Audit Program through GW Office of Alumni Relations for a nominal fee

Neighbors Working With Neighbors

The George Washington University also offers continuous cooperation and participation in community improvement measures. Safety improvement measures include: Winter snow removal and repair of university sidewalks; The installation of approximately 150 new lights in areas such as Medical Center Plaza, Gelman Yard and in and around public streets; and clean-up efforts including work with the West End Citizens Association to clear illegal posters and graffiti, and removal of bulk items at the end of spring and fall semesters for students living in off-campus rental properties.

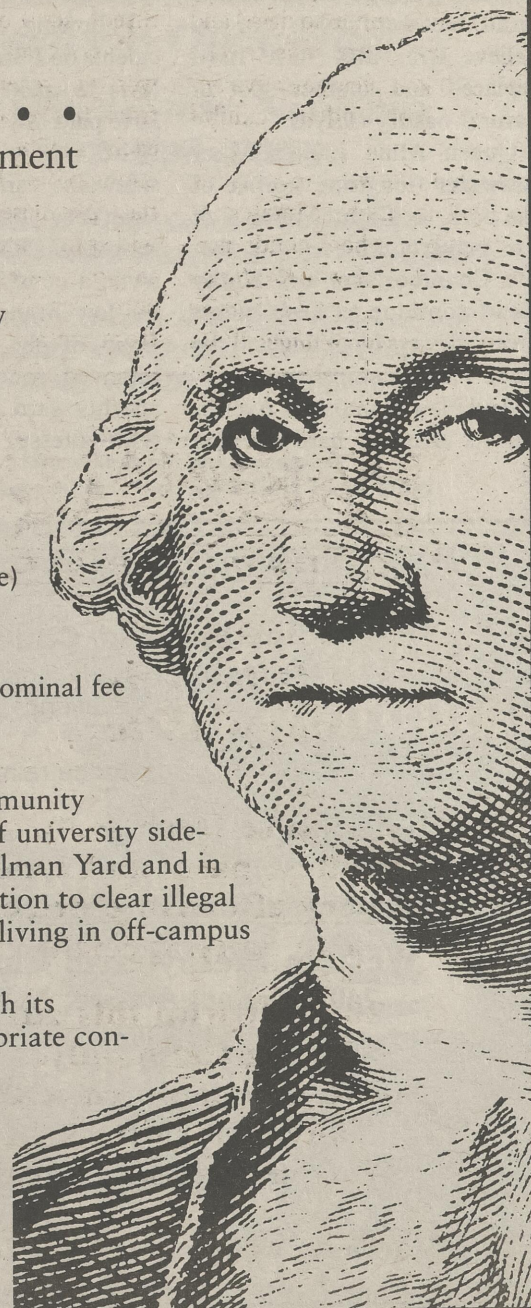
The George Washington University realizes the responsibility to educate its own students through its Code of Student Conduct to make them better neighbors and there is "A Quick Guide" for appropriate conduct for off-campus students.

By continuously addressing community needs and providing support to the Foggy Bottom/West End neighborhoods, The George Washington University strives to be a vital part of the community.

Questions? Call Jane Lingo at (202) 994-6466

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Foggy Bottom Folks

The summer, blessedly cooler than most, brought out the green thumbs of more than one resident. A very visible example are the two properties owned by the **Rajpals** of 2409 I Street. Their landscaping and spectacular flowers joined the "usual" spectacular floral array in **Nori Uchida's** yard next door. And, of course, the **White** house just to the west is the home of that spectacular red climbing rosebush. Three in a row to delight the eye.

The Rajpals also own the big white house at the corner of 25th and I, and the word spectacular describes some of the flowers in that yard this summer. Both **Neeraj** and **Angie Rajpal** were seen trimming, weeding and planting, making it another pleasant sight. And to the west of that house, **Paul McKee**, **Paul Falon** and **Carol Mitchell** have made their yards and treespaces a showplace as well. And in the same block, **Ronnie Melnick's** was again a changing "library" of blooms and plants.

Down and around the corner **Ken** and **Jackie Durham** planted flowers and small trees in the park across from their home. Although some of the small trees were stolen (can you believe it?), they have been replaced and another spot of natural beauty thrives.

Queen Anne Lane's **Mary Brewster** (longtime keeper of the park, as **Cathy Miller** is of the playground), reports that the **Chamberlains** and **Kathy Read** continue to keep plants green, flowers blooming and the Lane looking shipshape.

And New Hampshire Avenue has its share of hard-working

gardeners as well; the copious blooms at the **Talisman** house at 837 New Hampshire were again more than pleasant to the eye this year; **Jennifer Seal** always has some unusual specimens in both her Eye Street and New Hampshire Avenue plots, and a lot of work and talent show in the **Stambon** and **Lane** front yards at 814 and 816 New Hampshire.

IONA Senior Services, the organization promoting independence and opportunities for seniors, picked an especially independent senior to profile in its fall newsletter. She is our own **Henrietta Y. Zoltrow**, former FBA vice president,



neighborhood booster, and advocate for services for the older residents.

Following two holdup incidents on I Street, residents' efforts to make the street safer have paid off. Bright front door lights now illumine the sidewalks, and pleas to trim shubbery have been taken seriously. **Ralph Burr**, who owns a condo there, arranged for low branches of a tree in front of the building to be removed, and the owner of another yard had a hazardous (and messy) mulberry tree

removed, eliminating its numerous and heavy branches which had hung over and obscured the sidewalk.

Foggy Bottom folks have been making the papers in the past several weeks. **Father Darwin Price's** Sunday sermon was reprinted in the August 26 Washington Times. Father Price, rector of St. Mary's on 23rd Street, chose St. Peter and his "failures" as his subject. The newspaper also ran a sidebar article about the historic church and its current membership.

The very next day the same newspaper profiled **Michel Ducamp**, the General Manager of the Watergate Hotel. Ducamp, from Lynbrook, New York, described himself as a "sophisticated and polished European raised as a manic and high-speed New Yorker."

And then the Washington Post featured Foggy Bottom in its real estate section on September 7. ANC Commissioner **Maria Tyler** was pictured near her 25th Street home, and she expressed her concerns — shared by many in the neighborhood — about the effects on Foggy Bottom and West End of the university's development and the increase of students in off-campus housing.

Emily Carrow, during a recent visit to her father **Milton Carrow**, found her way up 25th Street to the Jazzercise class at St. Stephen's. Emily lives in Paris, and bemoaned the fact that she could not locate any Jazzercise classes in the "City of Light," despite the fact that they are now found in 36 countries.

Also overheard at the Jazzercise class was **Suzette Klein** of the Foggy Bottom Mews, talking about the time she climbed the famed Mesada in Israel. When asked how she was able to do this arduous climb at her age (which I guess is at least 35), especially in extreme heat, she replied, "I can do it because I do aerobics."

Captain **Phyllis Burrell**, who has been in charge of our police sector, suffered a heart attack this summer and has been on sick leave for some time. As we went to press, Captain **Barry Malkin** has been placed in charge of Sector 1, which includes Foggy Bottom.



FBA Executive Board:

Above: **Ellie Becker**, **Michael Thomas**, **Olga Corey**, **Lucille Molinelli** and **Ilona Melstrads**. Below: **Kirsten Olsen**, **Richard Price**, **Polly Berman** and **Chris Lamb**. Not pictured are **Sandra Vonetes** and **Hugh Grindstaff**.



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Project Northstar Tutors at Francis Jr. High

Project Northstar, the homeless children's tutorial project, has one of its tutorial locations at Francis Junior High School at 24th & N Streets, N.W. The organization, founded in 1989, provides an educational and emotional support system for homeless, formerly homeless and at-risk children in Washington. Sessions at Francis are held on Mondays and Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Tutors are asked to work just a few hours per week.

Volunteers for tutoring at Francis are needed. Orientation for new tutors is held the first Tuesday of each month; call 202-233-0144 for information. There are approximately 100 primary and middle school children from the Temporary Living Center on Park Road, the Spring Road Family Shelter, the Montana Terrace Public Housing site, and private foster care homes who participate in the tutorial sessions each week.

Project Northstar is the recipient of many awards, including being named by President Bush as one of the "Daily Points of Light" in 1990. The project was founded by the Coalition of 100 Black Women, Concerned Black Men, Inc., D.C. Chapter, and attorneys from three prominent Washington law firms, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge, and Wiley Rein & Fielding.

It would be difficult to find a more convenient or important project for volunteers from Foggy Bottom.

Recycling Schedule Has Changed

The curbside collection of recyclable materials is now every other Tuesday. Following are the days for the rest of the year; you might want to post this list in a convenient place.

October 1
October 15
October 29
November 12
November 26
December 10
December 24

Recyclables which can be picked up are *newspapers, plastic* (look for #1 of #2 on the bottom), *metal* and *junk mail*. And since they may stay around your homes for longer periods, **RINSE OUT METAL CONTAINERS** — to keep the "critters" away. And heard also that they want materials placed loose in the green bins — that is, not put in bags — the easier, I guess to get it all sorted later on.



FBA Meeting Dates

1996-1997

Monday, October 28
Monday, November 25
Monday, January 27
Monday, February 24
Monday, March 31
Monday, April 28
Tuesday, May 27
(Monday is Memorial Day)
Monday, June 30

Welcome Newcomers!

If you are new to the neighborhood, we welcome you and hope you take as much pride in our Foggy Bottom community as FB oldtimers do.

Here are some items which might be helpful to you:

1. **Community organizations.** The Foggy Bottom Association and the Foggy Bottom/West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A each meet monthly. Attendance at their meetings (and reading the FBA's *Foggy Bottom News*) will make you aware of FB happenings and issues.
2. **Parking.** It's at a premium in the Bottom and private spaces are closely monitored — respect them. Parking in alleys, blocking sidewalks, and overtime parking are subject to hefty fines so beware. You are eligible for unlimited street parking if you obtain a residential parking permit (call 727-6680).
3. **Pets.** Leash them! Curb them! Clean up after them! Many of your neighbors work hard to maintain their front yards and tree spaces; resist the urge to let your dog "go" on them. There are a number of public spaces in the area that can be used by your pets — but you must still clean up after them.
4. **Noise.** Please keep radios and stereos at a level so as not to disturb your neighbors, especially at night. Occasional parties are expected and acceptable, but be considerate and notify neighbors in advance. The police noise complaint number is 282-0070. It is for your use as well as your neighbor's use.
5. **Neighborhood watch.** Keep an eye out for out-of-the-ordinary things in the neighborhood. The police non-emergency number is 727-4326; ask them to investigate. Of course, the emergency number is 911.

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Sat. Oct. 5 Colonial Roots in Historic Dover (Del. 8 am - 7 pm) **\$78***

Sun. Oct. 6 "An Unexpected Guest" (11 am-7:30 pm) **\$75***
Allenberry Playhouse (Incls: transp., lunch and Agatha Christie mystery)

Sat. Oct. 12 Middleburg/Wayside Theatre (VA 9:30 am - 7:30 pm) **\$68***
(Morning in M'burg, later comedy spoof)

Oct. 19-20 Cape May/Rehoboth **\$220pp/dbl ****
(Incls: transp, hotel, ferry, 3 tours)

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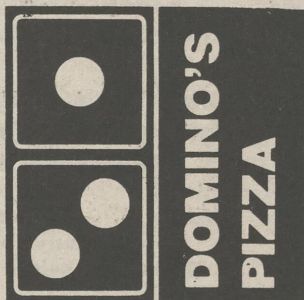
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Knowing that you are by our side brings courage and strength as we meet the challenge of a new chapter in our lives.

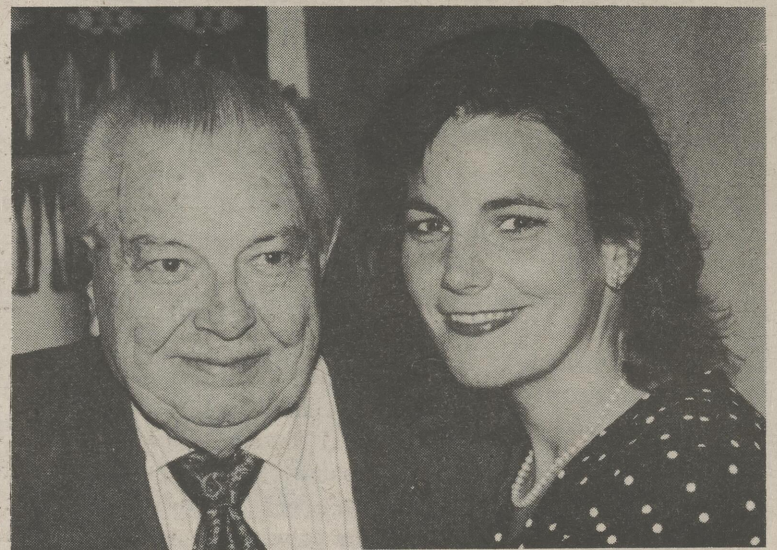
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Lucille Molinelli

Jimmy, from page 1
campaign against the posting of posters and flyers on our streets. Officer Sandy Connor of the 2nd District remembers him as a "very straight to the point person, . . . but not a bully. He told you exactly what he thought" and was a person "who cared deeply about fighting the crime in his neighborhood."

Sara Maddux recalls that "he made our neighborhood a neighborhood by his every day presence. . . . It was comforting to go around the corner and see Mr. Molinelli doing his tasks — sweeping, tending to his garden, and talking with everyone. All was right with the world when I looked around the corner and saw him on F Street."

Probably the most talked-about example of his efforts was the time he literally lay down in front of the bulldozer to prevent it from making a curb cut for a driveway for which the owner did not have a permit. Police and firemen came, the street was roped off, and finally it was determined that the work was not authorized. The right, personified by Jimmy Molinelli, prevailed.

A neighbor recently said, "I am sure lots of people have memories of our wonderfully energetic and caring neighbor, the Duke of F Street."



Above: Jimmy and Jamie, a "few" years later.

Below: Jimmy — ninety years young.



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Neighborhood Datebook

Monday, September 30: Foggy Bottom Association meeting, featuring Gary Burch, Chief, Design, Engineering and Construction, D.C. Department of Public Works, discussing the Whitehurst Freeway rehabilitation project. Wyndham Bristol Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 2: Women's Board, George Washington University Medical Center, featuring John J. Kelly, Jr., M.D., Professor and Chairman, Department of Neurology, and Co-Director, Neurologic Institute, GWU Medical Center. GWU Hospital Auditorium, 901 23rd Street, N.W. 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 2: Discussion of writing and publishing of a memoir, and book-signing by Carmen Johnson, an 86-year old local author. St. Mary's Court, 725 24th Street, N.W. Phone 362-5621 for information on this program sponsored by the Arts Project Renaissance. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 2: DebateWatch '96 Vice Presidential Debate viewing and discussion. Presented by Commission on Presidential Debates to increase citizen participation in debates and coordinated in D.C. by GWU; public invited; refreshments served. Debates are watched on TV screens to be set up, followed immediately by discussion groups; groups' responses are part of a national survey to gauge reaction to the debates and inform candidates of the issues of interest to the public. J Street at the Marvin Center, 21st & H Streets, N.W. 9:00 p.m.

Thursday-Sunday, October 3-6: "Woman in Black," suspense thriller by Stephen Mallatratt, presented by GW Department of Theatre and Dance. Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, 800 21st Street. \$8; \$5 for students. 8:00 p.m. Sunday matinee, 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5: GWU Student Association community picnic; all residents invited. Memorial Park, G Street near 22nd Street. 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5: Annual Book Sale, sponsored by West End Library Friends. West End Library, 24th & L Streets, N.W. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5: Walking Tour of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Architectural Legacy, "How The President and His New Deal Changed Washington," presented by the National Building Museum. Reservations required, \$10 for members; \$12 nonmembers. Phone 202-272-2448 for information. 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 6: Concert featuring lyric tenor Lorenzo Smith with Julius Tilghman as accompanist. Selections by Handel, Schubert, Rachmaninoff, Vaughn Williams and Afro-Americans. St. Mary's Church, 728 23rd Street., N.W. 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 9: DebateWatch Presiden-

tial Debate viewing and discussion (see October 2). Marvin Center, 21st & H Streets, N.W. 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 13: GWU Faculty Artists concert, featuring vocal quartet of Susan Bender, soprano, Evan Nagorka, mezzo-soprano, Robert Baker, tenor, and Stephen Wellman, baritone. Western Presbyterian Church, 24th & G Streets, N.W. Call 994-6245 for ticket information. 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 16: DebateWatch Presidential Debate viewing and discussion (see October 2). Marvin Center, 21st & H Streets, N.W. 9:00 p.m.

Friday, October 18: GW Troubadours Concert, directed by Catherine Pickar. Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, 800 21st Street. Call 994-6245 for ticket information. 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 20: Concert by National Musical Arts Chamber Ensemble, performing works of Aaron Copland, Donald Martino, George Crumb, Dominick Argento and Julia Wolfe. National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Composers' forum, with Julia Wolfe and Donald Martino, 3:00 p.m.; concert, 4:00 p.m.

Monday, October 21: New Compositions Concert, featuring winners of Young Composers Competition. Lisner Auditorium, 730 21st Street. Call 994-6245 for ticket information. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday, October 23-24: Annual Fall Sale and German Luncheon, featuring clothing, furniture, household goods, etc. Luncheon served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. United Church, 1920 G Street, N.W. 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 23: Informal Open House for residents of St. Mary's Court, and for other FB residents, to see the sanctuary, offices and multi-purpose room (site of Miriam's Kitchen and Project Create children's program). Tours guided by church elders. Western Presbyterian Church, 24th & G Streets, N.W. 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 24: Presentation by Ljubica Z. Acevska, Ambassador, Republic of Macedonia, celebrating United Nations Day. Iona Senior luncheon program, St. Mary's Court, 725 24th Street, N.W. For reservations call 966-1066. 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 27: Luncheon-Fashion Show, sponsored by the Parish Hall Committee, St. Mary's Church. Crystal Gate Marriott, Arlington, Va. Phone 333-3895 for information. 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 27: Concert featuring Esther Budiardjo, winner of the William Kapell Piano Competition, performing works by Mendelssohn, Perle, Balakirev and Beethoven. National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W. 3:00 p.m.



St. Mary's Lorenzo Smith in Concert

Lyric tenor Lorenzo Smith of St. Mary's Episcopal Church will appear in concert on Sunday, October 6, at 4:00 p.m. at the church located at 728 23rd Street. Accompanying Mr. Smith

will be Julius Tilghman, and music by Handel, Schubert, Rachmaninoff, R. Vaughn Williams and Afro Americans will be presented.

During the concert Smith will dedicate to St. Mary's Church a Mason-Hamlin piano bequeathed to him by his first voice instructor, Elizabeth Sinkford Thornton. Mrs. Thornton was one of the first Afro-Americans to graduate in music from Oberlin College and Julliard School of Music.

Activities Nearby

At Guy Mason Center

Guy Mason Recreation Center is located at 3600 Calvert Street, near its intersection with Wisconsin Avenue north of Georgetown. It is on the Friendship Heights bus line, and has parking, and a myriad of activities all year round. Toni Ritzenberg of the Friends of Guy Mason reports that fall registration runs through October 1, for courses in art (acrylic, oil, water color, drawing and copper enameling); crafts (pottery, china painting and calligraphy); beginning Spanish, bridge, ballroom dancing, and three exercise classes. Call 202-282-2180 for information.

Grace Church Sponsors "A Taste of Georgetown"

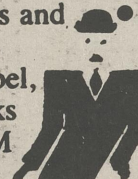
Grace Church is located at 1041 Wisconsin Avenue, just above K Street, and is involved in numerous outreach programs. To support them, the church is sponsoring "A Taste of Georgetown" fall festival on Saturday, October 5, from noon to 4:00 p.m. At least 15 restaurants will provide "tastes" at \$1-\$3; in addition there will be children's activities, a silent auction, and self-defense demonstrations.

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WEL Friends Hold Book Sale

The West End Library Friends hold their annual book sale on Saturday, October 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the West End Library. A large stock of books, records and magazines will be for sale at bargain prices.



Those who may still have items to donate to the sale can bring them on Monday, September 30. Gifts received after that cannot be processed in time to be included in the sale. All proceeds from the sale go to benefit the West End Library.

Whitehurst, from page 1
strator of DPW's Design, Engineering & Construction Administration, and striking progress has been made. The Committee was helped by a forceful letter from Ellie Becker, President of the FBA, requesting DPW's cooperation with the community's efforts.

Trees Yes, Tunnel No

DPW has provided formal commitments to restore the median of K Street as soon as the work schedule permits. The destroyed trees will be replaced with trees of similar maturity, and Gary Burch has agreed to extend the tree plantings as much as possible to the east and west.

In early August, Mr. Larry King, Director of DPW, wrote to Ellie Becker, President of the FBA, and the Steering Commit-

tee, informing them that DPW did not intend to construct and reopen an augmented tunnel. Gary Burch reiterated this undertaking, stating that the tunnel had been deleted completely from this project. He noted that public agencies involved in such construction projects now realize that pedestrian tunnels — however convenient — are not viable because public safety and sanitary conditions, especially the former, cannot be controlled, and they have stopped building them. For these reasons the idea of a tunnel at 26th Street either now or in the future has been discarded. Gary Burch recognizes that pedestrians wanting to cross K Street in this residential area are inconvenienced by having to walk up to 25th Street. If it becomes necessary, an at-grade pedestrian crossing with an on-demand traffic light



would need to be considered.

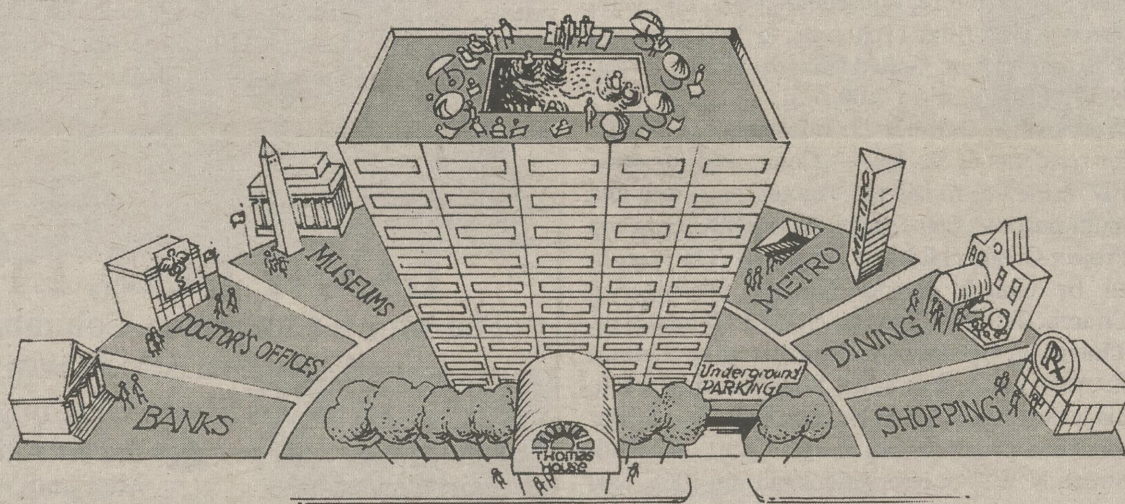
Other Amenities Approved

In addition to reacting to these specific damaging actions in the reconstruction project, the Steering Committee devised enhancements which would ameliorate the adverse impact of the WHF on residential Foggy Bottom. After it had obtained some plans on the WHF reconstruction, the Committee devised and presented to Gary Burch a series of proposals for changes in the reconstruction design and specifications that would improve the residential blocks of K Street between Washington Circle and 27th Street and give them an attractive residential atmosphere. Mr. Burch agreed that the proposals were relatively inexpensive, eminently reasonable and easy to incorporate into the reconstruction work. At the same time, they have a highly positive impact on the neighborhood's environment. They include wider sidewalks in the 2400 and 2500 blocks of K Street and a pleasant pedestrian path along K Street through 27th Street, attractive railings to replace the heavy industrial railing currently in place, residential type street lighting for K Street instead of huge overhead freeway lighting, and increased landscaping. Specifications have been included to improve pedestrian safety at the 25th Street crossing.

Since our last meeting with him, Gary Burch has confirmed to the Committee that the enhancements can be incorporated into the reconstruction project. He noted that the improvements to the 2400 block of K Street will need to be made in the context of the forthcoming project to rehabilitate the bridge across K Street, which is expected to be advertised in the spring of 1997, when work on the WHF reconstruction is further along.

The Steering Committee will continue to work closely with Gary Burch and appreciates the cooperation and understanding which he has shown. His work with the community is an outstanding example of the way in which the Administration and residents can work together to the benefit of all. Burch is the speaker at the FBA's September 30 meeting.

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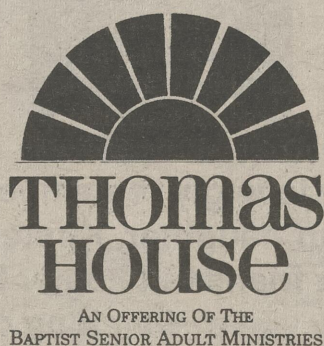


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